

Remarks

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed September 20, 2005. Claims 1, 2, 5-7, 10, 14-17, 19-22, 25-27, 30 and 34 stand rejected. Claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 11-13, 18, 23, 24, 28, 29, and 31-33 stand objected to. Claims 1, 4, 5, 15, 19, 24 and 25 have been amended. Claims 2, 3, 18, 21, 22 and 23 have been cancelled. Claims 61-65 have been added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicates that Claims 3-4, 8-9, 11-13, 18, 23-24, 28-29, and 31-33 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have rewritten allowable Claims 3, 8, 11, 13, 18, 23, 28 and 31 in independent form as Claims 1, 61, 62, 63, 15, 19, 64, and 65 respectively. Favorable action is requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejects Claims 1-2, 5-7, 10, 14-17, 19-22, 25-27, 30, and 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Pub. No. 2005/0061487 A1 to Kroliczek, et al. ("*Kroliczek*"). Applicants respectfully traverse. These rejections are moot in light of rewriting allowable Claim 3 in independent form as Claim 1, allowable Claim 18 in independent form as Claim 15, and Claim 23 in independent form as Claim 19. All other rejected claims depend from Claim 1, 15, or 23 and are therefore also allowable. Favorable action is requested.

Conclusion

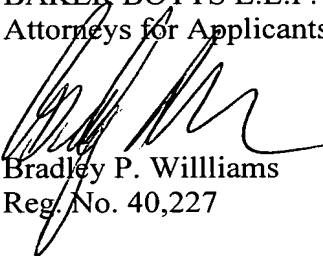
Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the Examiner is invited to contact Bradley P. Williams, Attorney for Applicants, at the Examiner's convenience at (214) 953.6447.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$400.00, and any other required fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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